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Group Art Unit: 2833  
Examiner: Figueroa, Felix O.  
Title: **SPRING LOADED ASSEMBLY FOR A CONNECTOR**

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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

In response to the Final Office Action mailed November 25, 2005, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments set forth below and request favorable action thereon.

**Amendments to Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.